I need two or three adjutant-generals who have dash and a firm resolve not to execute scientific retreats. ***At night:***

The enemy is retreating on Lodi.

Ilth, Lodi:

We made our way Into Lodi, and found the bridge

swept by 80 guns* The fire was very hot. As soon as the troops got up they were formed in solid column, supported by the grenadier battalions, the men cheering for the Republic. The bridge, £00 yards in length, *wm* attacked. The enemy's fire was terrible. The head of our column appeared to waver. Generals Berthier, Magsdna, Lannes, rushed to the front and carried uncertain fortune with them* Our stalwart column broke down all resistance; in a flash, the hostile army was scattered.

The battle of Lodi has conquered Lombardy for the Republic.

Evening: **(The grenadiers acclaim General Bonaparte as** ***the litiU corporal,)***

14th. (To the 0irectoire.) Yesterday I sent one division to Milan; Beauiieu is at Mantua.

I think it unwise to divide the army of Italy in two; it Is against the interests of the Republic to give it to two **generals.** The move on **Rome, Leghorn, Naples, is a** matter. There should not only be a tingle **general***